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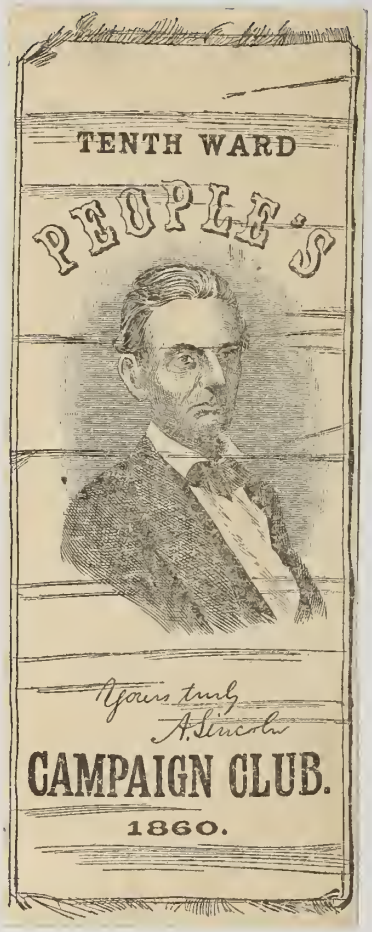
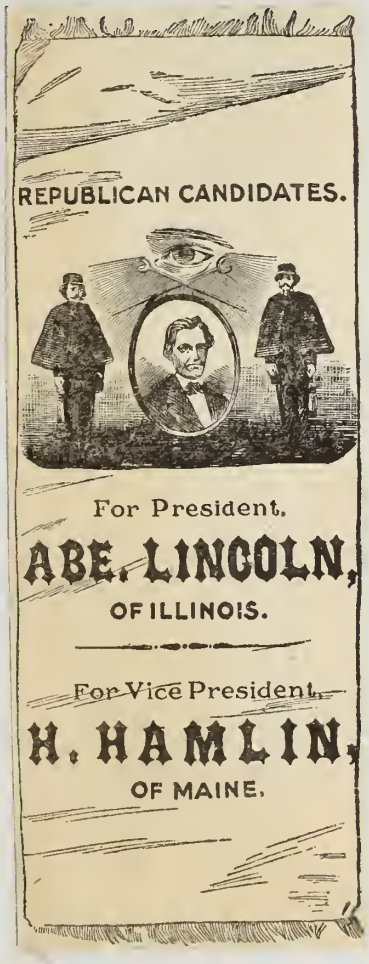
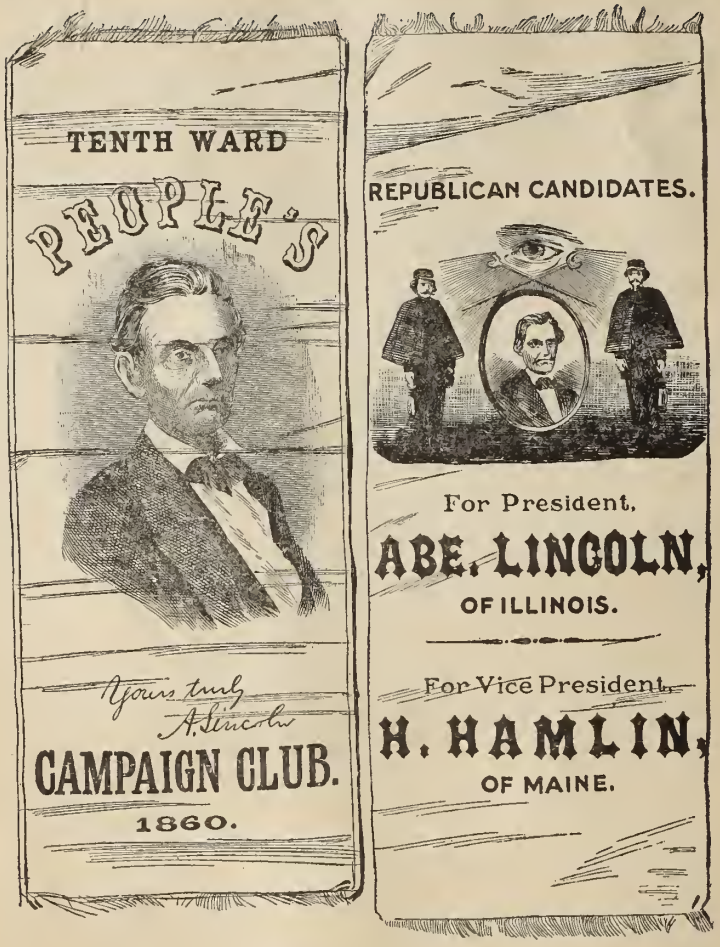

TENTH WARD
PEOPLE'S
Yours truly
A. Lincoln
CAMPAIGN CLUB.
1860.

OLDE


REPUBLICAN CANDIDATES.
For President.
ABE. LINCOLN,
OF ILLINOIS.
For Vice President.
H. HAMLIN,
OF MAINE.



LINCOLN CAMPAIGN BADGES.

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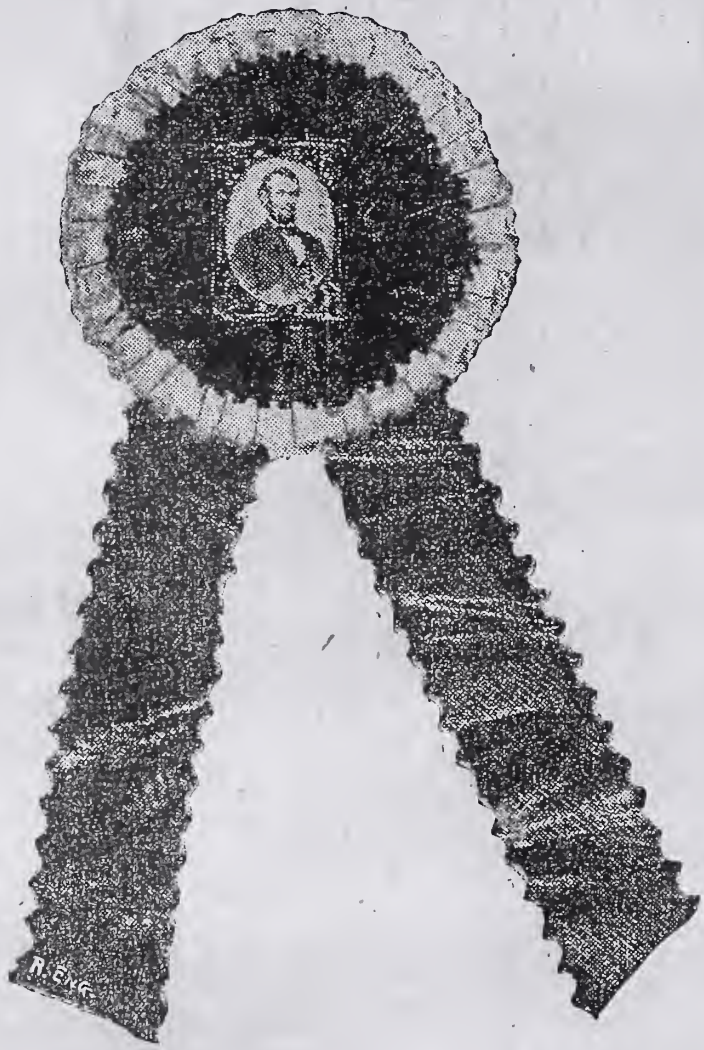
BADGE WORN BY GEORGE C. LATHAM AT LINCOLN FUNERAL



George C. Latham was one of the many citizens of Springfield who took part in the solemn ceremonies attending the burial of the martyr president and still preserves the badge which he wore on that occasion, it being a black crepe rosette with streamers and having in the center a portrait of President Lincoln. This memento of that historic occasion is highly valued by Mr. Latham.

Mr. Latham also tells of attending a dinner and ball given by the legislature of the state of New York in honor of President-elect Lincoln and his suite at the Delavan House on Monday, Feb. 18, 1861, which must have been an affair of great social importance. A copy of the menu for the banquet has been preserved by him. It is as follows:

Soup

Tarrapin Brunoise

Fish

English Salmon a la Hollandaise
Smelts, fried a la Anglaise

Releves

Tenderloin of beef, sauce Perigord
Turkey a la Richelieu
Saddle of Venison With Current Jelly
Relishes.

French Mustard, Spanish Olives
Horse Radish, Assorted Pickles
Sardines, Apple Sauce Cellery

Entrees

Sweet Bread Larded with Green Peas
Venison Chops, Sauce Chevreuil
Croquettes of Chicken a la Royal
Vol au Vent Financiere
Salmi of Partridges a la Chasseur

Roasts

English Capons Canvass Back Ducks
Grouse larded, Quail larded
Chicken Salad, Fried Oysters

Pastry and Confectionery.

English plum pudding
Charlotte Russes au Pannier
Gelee au Vin de Champagne garne d'Orange
Blanc Mange a la Rose
Maccaroons, Fancy Kisses
Biscuit Anglais au Gelee
Gateau au Chocolate
Cassette d'Amande, Sugared Almonds
Vanilla Ice Cream

Dessert.

Almonds, Figs, Apples,
Walnuts, Raisens, Dates
Filberts, Prunes,
Oranges Coffee

At this time Mr. Latham resided at the corner of Seventh and Market streets, in this city, of which his family were early residents.

1908

WE!

At one of the memorial meetings last night a man wore a badge bearing the portraits of Lincoln and Hamlin which his father had worn with a "Wide Awake" uniform in the first Lincoln campaign. Next to this, pinned on his coat, was an emancipation souvenir in the form of a white silk ribbon bearing a picture of Lincoln striking the chains from a slave. This was worn at a meeting in Albany soon after the Emancipation Proclamation was issued. The man wore also a Lincoln and Johnson campaign medal, bearing the portraits of the two candidates, and the mourning badge which his mother had fastened on his jacket when he went to school a few days after the assassination.

2-13-1909

Souvenir of

PANAMA-PACIFIC INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION

1915

WITH MALICE TOWARD NONE, WITH CHARITY FOR ALL, WITH FIRMNESS IN THE RIGHT AS GOD GIVES US TO SEE THE RIGHT, LET US FINISH THE WORK WE ARE IN, TO BIND UP THE NATION'S WOUNDS, TO CARE FOR HIM WHO SHALL HAVE BORNE THE BATTLE, AND FOR HIS WIDOW AND HIS ORPHANS; TO DO ALL WHICH MAY ACHIEVE AND CHERISH A JUST AND LASTING PEACE AMONG OURSELVES AND WITH ALL NATIONS.

THE GRAND RAPIDS PRESS

Frankfort Republican Produces Misty Reminder of Lincoln

Frankfort, Feb. 12.—1920 A misty reminder of the early days when the man whose memory all America honors today was winning his spurs has come to light with the discovery of an old campaign badge carrying the pictures of Abraham Lincoln and his running mate in the political campaign of 1860, Hannibal Hamlin.

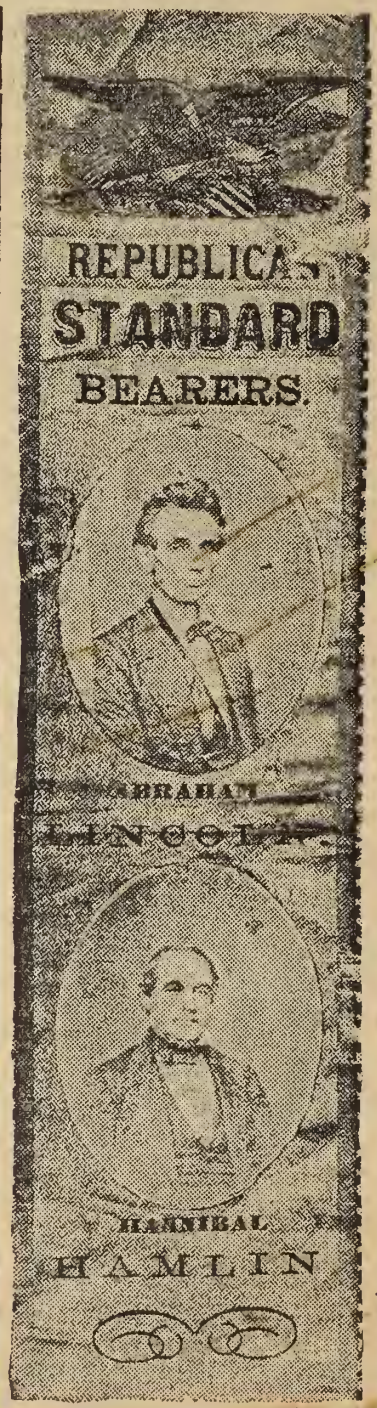
The badge belongs to L. A. Potter. It was handed down to him by his grandfather, a staunch supporter of Lincoln at a time when the great American had started to win the fame that was to make him immortal.

Printed on silk that once was yellow, but now is dimmed by time, the badge still is well preserved. The pictures are almost as clear as if taken yesterday.

The badge was used in Lincoln's first presidential campaign. He received the Republican nomination for the presidency at the Chicago convention in 1860, when Hannibal Hamlin of Maine was named as candidate to be vice president.

The picture is especially timely today. First of all of course because it is Lincoln's birthday. Other than this it is interesting to note that next June in Chicago, almost exactly 60 years later, the same party will meet in the same city to select its presidential candidate.

Feb 12, 1920



Silk Campaign Badge.

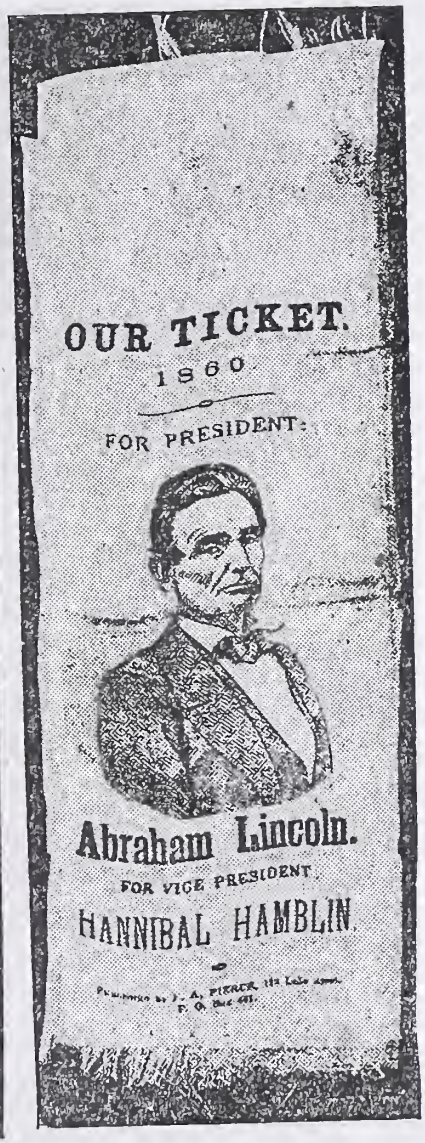
A badge similar to this one in the Metamora Court House, bears the inscription at the bottom of the badge "Photograph by Briggs Galesburg"

This original badge is in the Foundation Collection. See Silk Badge Collection

R.H.M. 3/18/66

WOMAN WHO WORKED IN LINCOLN HOME TELLS OF HIM. Mrs. B. Walsh, 94 years old, 5700 South Halsted street, talking to Mrs. Edward Healy, her granddaughter and Lauretta Howard, her great granddaughter.

[TRIBUNE Photo.] *(Story on page four.)* 7/14/74



[TRIBUNE Photo.]

LINCOLN BADGE. Emblem worn in the presidential campaign of 1860.

(Story on page four.)

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LAW OFFICES OF
THADDEUS J. MERRILL
447 MERCANTILE BLOCK
AURORA, ILLINOIS

TELEPHONE 8033

August 14,1931.

Mr.Lewis A.Warren,
Ft.Wayne,Ind.

Dear Sir:-

The writer is the owner of one of the badges worn by government employees during the 60 day period of mourning appointed by President Johnson at the time of the death of Lincoln.This badge came to me thru my father,Frank E.Merrill,who was employed in the Treasury Department during the Civil War.The badge is about 2 x 5 inches in size,printed on silk paper, the same as was used in Lincoln's time for printing government notes,with black border.The badge contains the words,"Plate Printing-We Mourn the Nation's Loss-Abraham Lincoln-April 15,1865-Treasury Department".So far as I am informed this is the only badge of its kind in existence.A photograph of this badge is in the Lincoln Collection at Springfield.

The badge is valuable,of course,and ought to be preserved in a Lincoln Collection.I have it framed at present and it hangs in my office.I will sell the badge for $3000.00.If you are interested,I shall be pleased to send you a photograph of the badge or it mat be seen at my office.I have been advised that have a Lincoln collection.I have a written history of the badge which I will deliver with the badge,if sold.

TJM-B.

Very truly yours,

T. J. Merrill

August 17, 1931

Mr. Thaddeus J. Merrill
447 Merchantile Bldg.
Aurora, N. Y.

My dear Mr. Merrill:

Thank you very much indeed for having called our attention to the availability of the badge worn by your father.

While it would make an interesting addition to any Lincoln collection nevertheless it will be impossible for us to purchase it.

Very sincerely yours,

LMT:VI _____Director
Lincoln Historical Research Foundation

Chicago, Illinois
June 3rd 1937

Dear Sirs:

Enclosed find a faithful copy of a mourning badge I have. It is black on white silk and in fine condition. I understand you are in the market for such things and am wondering whether you would swap some ferrotypes of Lincoln that you have dfls. for. I am offered 3 ferrotypes here in Chgo. but I am holding out for 5 of my own choosing.

I don't believe many of these ribbons were made as they were worn by the delegation of the 13th Ward who met the funeral train.

I am a general collector of Presidential campaign items and if there is any way I could assist you, would be glad to do so.

Enclosed find a stamped return envelope and kindly let me know, one way or the other on the swap proposition. Would like an answer by Monday.

Hoping to hear from you, I remain

Sincerely
John A. Garlin
208 S. La Salle St.
Chicago Ill

c/o Carnegie-Illinois Steel Co.
Room 1566

13th

WARD.

Memory Badge

June 7, 1937

Mr. John A. Garlin
218 E. LaSalle Street
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Sir:

Thank you for calling to our attention the Lincoln badge which you have, but I do not think we would wish to acquire it.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director

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ANTIQUES

ELOISE LEE SHOP

ALLEN, MICHIGAN

ON U. S. 112

May - 35

Louis A. Warren
Lincoln National Life Foundation
Fort Wayne Ind.

Dear Sir

Have found a set
Election Bills of Lincoln
and Johnson with Lincoln
picture without signature
on it would like $5.00 for
it, Are you interested

Sincerely

Eloise Lee

Copy Book

May 19, 1938

Eloise Lee
Eloise Lee Shop
Allen, Michigan

Dear Madam:

I regret if we have failed to answer your letter with reference to the Lincoln Badge, but inasmuch as we have so many of them I do not think we would care to acquire others. Nevertheless, we appreciate your calling to our attention the one you have.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director

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PHONES: { JONESTOWN 40R4 / LEBANON 2309

Antiques

ROUTE 22
2 BLOCKS WEST OF FREDERICKSBURG

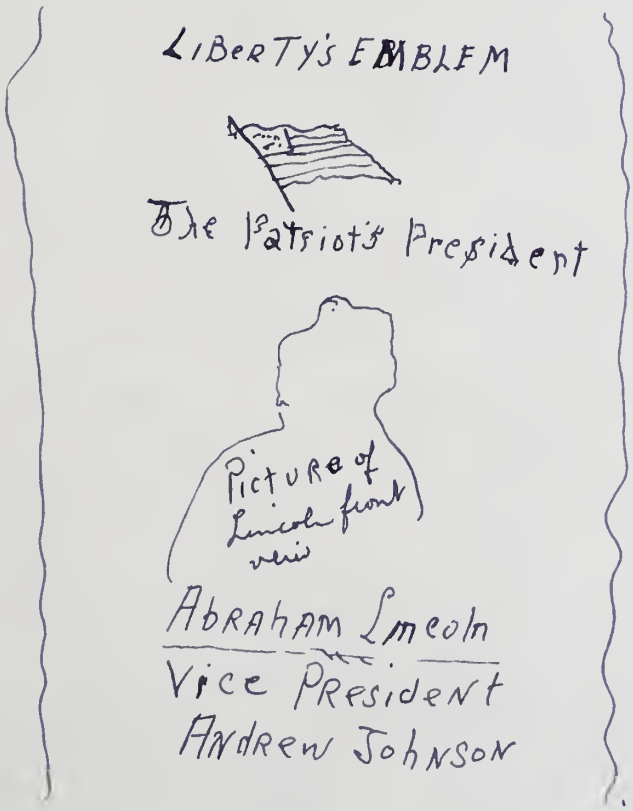
THE WILLIAM PENN SHOP

E. U. SCHOCK, MGR.

123 SOUTH FIFTH STREET
LEBANON, PA.

Lincolniana Publishers
Box 1110
Fort Wayne, Ind.

Dear Sirs:- I have a fine Lincoln piece to offer you as per sketch below. it is a fine piece of silk 5" X 3½" with silk twisted borders.



This I purchase from the widow of the National President of P.O.S. of A. the Hon. G. H. Moyer.

Kindly let me know if interested.

Yours truly.

Eyechock.

August 6, 1940

Mr. E. U. Schock
123 E. Fifth St.
Lebanon, Pa.

My dear Mr. Schock:

If you care to put a price on the little badge which you have acquired and also send it for our approval, we will let you know whether or not we care to acquire it.

We have so many of these badges it is very difficult for us to classify them without seeing them for fear we may acquire duplicates.

Very truly yours,

LAW:BS

Director

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{ LEBANON 2309

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ROUTE 22
2 BLOCKS WEST OF FREDERICKSBURG

THE WILLIAM PENN SHOP
E. U. SCHOCK, MGR.

123 SOUTH FIFTH STREET
LEBANON, PA.

Aug. 13th 1940

Lincoln National Life Foundation
Fort Wayne, Indiana.

Mr. Louis A. Warren:

I am mailing you today under seperate cover the Silk Lincoln Liberty-Emblem for your inspection

Price is $20.00

Yours very truly,
E. U. Schock.

Silk
Badge

August 16, 1940

Mr. E. U. Schock
123 S. Fifth St.
Lebanon, Penna.

Dear Mr. Schock:

Thank you very much indeed for allowing us to see the little silk badge which you have sent; although it is a nice item, we do not think we would care to acquire it and are therefore returning it enclosed and insured.

Very truly yours,

LAW:EB
Enc.

Director

207. LINCOLN. Original large Mourning badge. Silk, woodengraved portrait, "We Mourn a Father Slain", with date of birth and death. AS NEW. This is the rare original as distributed in Washington while the body lay in state. (From Gen. Hoffman's papers). 13.75.

PHILADELPHIA BULLETIN 4-14-42

LINCOLN FUNERAL BADGE HERE

Owner Expects to Give it to Some Historical Society Soon

One of the few mourner's badges worn by official mourners at the funeral rites for Abraham Lincoln, who was shot by Wilkes Booth 77 years ago today, is now in the possession of a Philadelphian, Dr. F. P. Rutherford, dentist with offices in the Real Estate Trust Co. Building.

The badge was worn by James C. Harrison, a friend of Dr. Rutherford. Harrison, in 1906, when he was 74, gave it to his friend before his death several years later.

Harrison, a member of a socially prominent family, attended the rites when Lincoln's body was brought to Independence Hall and lay in state there. Later, the appointed mourners followed the funeral procession to the railroad station at Broad st. and Washington av., the site now used for passage of Pennsylvania Railroad freight trains.

The badge is made of a strip of red, white and blue ribbon, edged with black. An eagle is pinned to the top of the ribbon and below the eagle is a small framed picture of Lincoln.

Dr Rutherford is thinking of presenting the badge to one of the historical societies of the city in the near future.

Mourner's Badge

Dr. F. P. Rutherford holds one of the badges worn by official mourners at funeral of Abraham Lincoln

1818 W. Capitol Ave.
Little Rock, Ark.
April 22nd, 1942

Dr. Lewis A. Warren, Director,
Lincoln Museum,
Ft. Wayne, Indiana.

Dear Sir:

Mr. Weise of your agency here, has directed me to write you in reference to a silk badge, dated 1865, with Mr. Lincoln's picture worked into the fabric, etc. It is hard for me to describe.

My father, now dead, lived in Bloomington, Ill. before I was born, and attended several banquets given in Mr. Lincoln's honor, I surmize, as he was a staunch Republican, he wore this badge. It also has the eagle and red, white and blue shield. It is hard for me to describe, and would rather send it for your inspection, and if you would care to purchase it, after seeing, you could then remit.

May I send it for your inspection? It should be mounted between two glasses, but thought you would have your own way of displaying it.

Very truly yours,

Kate S. Phillips

(Miss) Kate S. Phillips

Silk Bandage

April 24, 1942

Miss Kate S Phillips
1818 West Capitol Ave.
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Miss Phillips:

Thank you very much for calling to our attention the silk ribbon which you have, but your description of it is sufficient for us to conclude that we have one exactly like it and so would not care to acquire a duplicate. Thank you, nevertheless, for calling it to our attention.

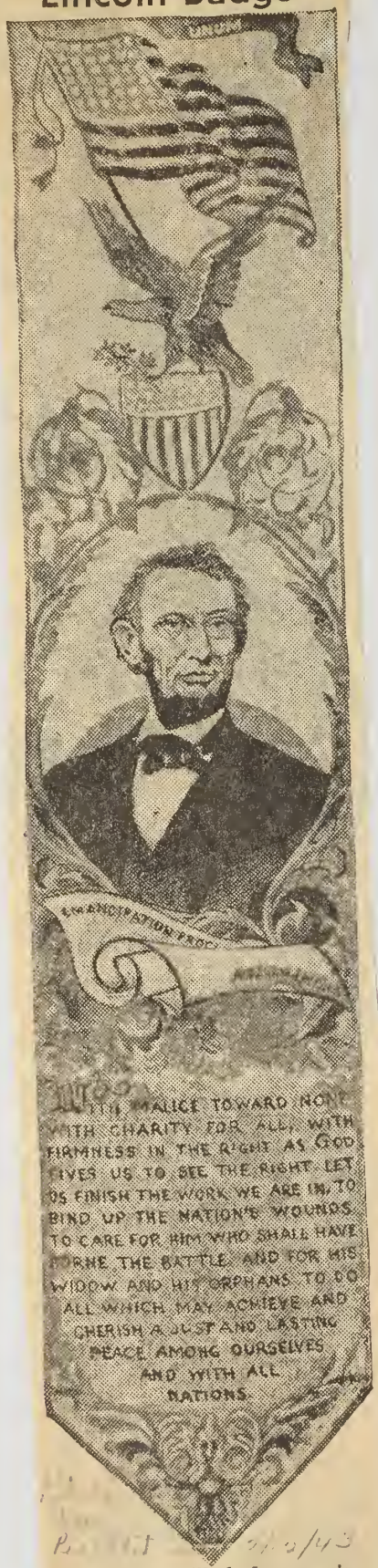
Very truly yours,

LAW:EB

Director

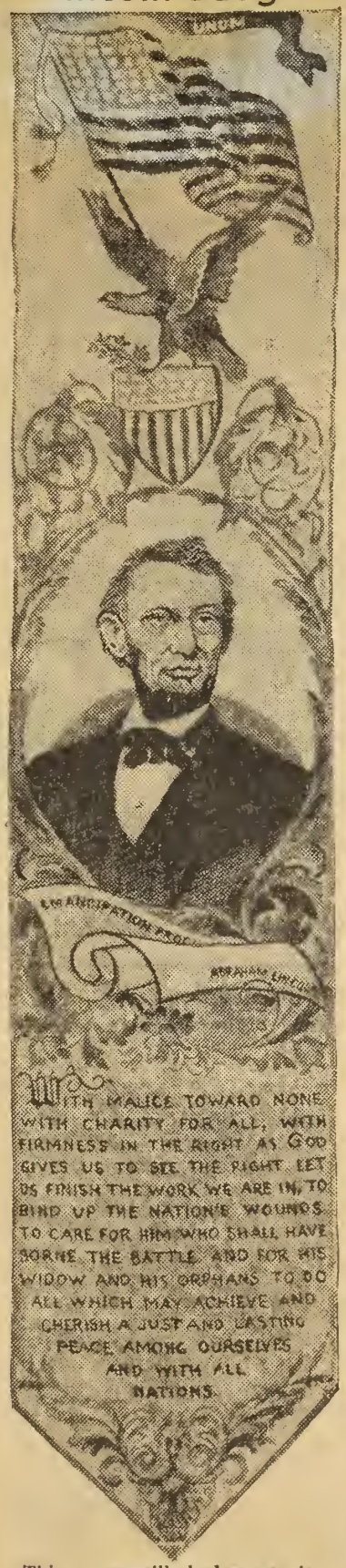
HY HIGH, JR., EDITOR
• FEBRUARY TWELFTH, 1943 •

Lincoln Badge



This woven silk badge was issued after Lincoln's second inaugural. It was probably worn by Philadelphians on the occasion of the President's visit to our city, for a flag raising, in June, 1864.

Lincoln Badge



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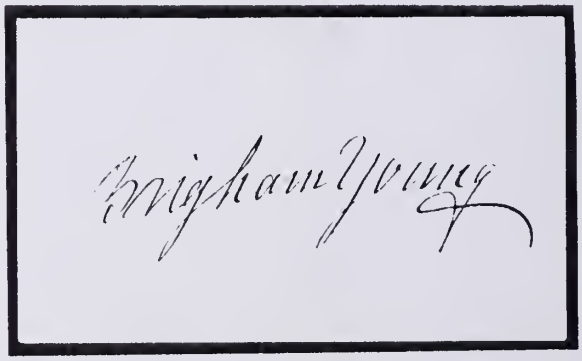
THE SECRETARY OF CONGRESS TRANSMITS TO THE GOVERNOR OF CONNECTICUT A COPY OF THE TREATY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE EMPEROR OF MOROCCO

1. THOMSON, CHARLES. 1729-1824. Irish-born American statesman; only Secretary of the Continental Congress. Manuscript Letter Signed, as Secretary of Congress. One page, legal folio. Office of the Secretary of Congress, July 21, 1787. To His Excellency The Governor of Connecticut [Samuel Huntington]. Headed "Circular". Thomson transmits "to your Excellency... a Copy of a Treaty between the United States of America and the Emperor of Morocco ratified the 18th of the present month by the United States in Congress assembled. Your Excellency will be pleased to make this known in such way as you shall judge proper to the Citizens of your State, for their government...." It is interesting to note that the Constitutional Convention was assembled in Philadelphia at this time, and one of their objectives was to form a closer union of the States so that meaningful treaties could be negotiated with foreign powers. Excellent condition. 500.00

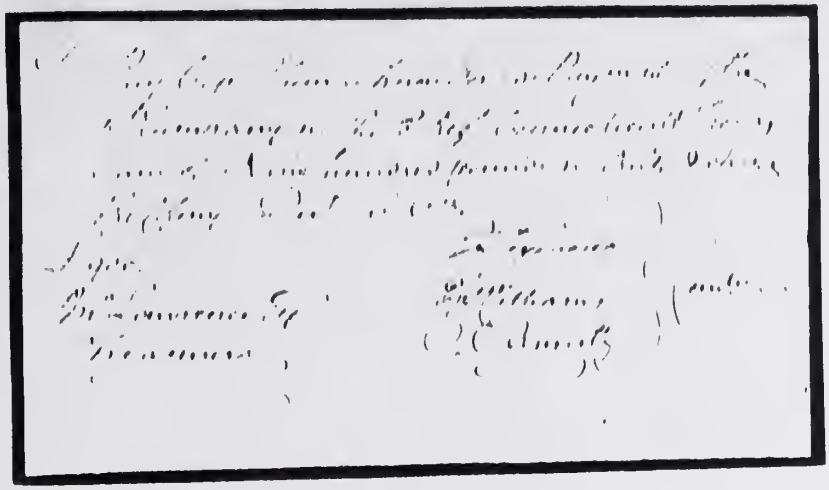
2. YOUNG, BRIGHAM. 1801-1877. American Mormon leader. His signature boldly penned on a 24mo card. Very fine condition. 250.00



3. SMITH, GUSTAVUS W. 1822-1896. Confederate General; after living in New York City for several years, joined Confederate Army and received appointment as major-general in the provisional army (Sept. 19, 1861); commanded one wing of the Army of the Potomac until the conclusion of the Peninsular Campaign. Lengthy Autograph Endorsement Signed, as CSA major-general, on the otherwise blank verso of a three-page ALS to Smith from Charles E. Stuart, penned on imprinted Confederate States of America / Post Office Department stationery. Richmond, October 30, 1861. Stuart writes General Smith asking to serve on his staff as an officer. Responding from "Headquarters 2nd Corps Army of Potomac", Smith writes: "I sometimes since made my selections for staff officers, and recent circumstances connected with these matters entirely preclude my making the call suggested. Hoping that you may in some other way succeed in your wishes for military service, I remain..." Very fine war-dated communication. 350.00

SHIP'S PASSPORT SIGNED BY JEFFERSON AND MADISON

92. JEFFERSON, THOMAS. President and Vice President of the United States; Signer of the Declaration of independence; Secretary of State. Attractive Partly-printed Document Signed, as President. One page, large oblong folio. Norfolk, July 28, 1807. Countersigned by JAMES MADISON, as Secretary of State. Ornate wafer seal affixed with red wax at left center. Four-language Sea letter, with text in French, Spanish, English and Dutch (in separate columns), giving permission for Isaiah Doane, Captain of the ship called the Herald to sail with her cargo of "Tobacco & Sugars". Fine condition. This type of document has become somewhat scarce on the market. $500.00



REVOLUTIONARY PAY-WARRANT FOR CAPTAIN THOMAS KNOWLTON, NATHAN HALE'S COMMANDER, KILLED AT THE BATTLE OF HARLEM

93. [AMERICAN REVOLUTION ** CONNECTICUT]. ELLSWORTH, OLIVER. 1745-1807. Chief Justice, U. S. Supreme Court; delegate to Constitutional Convention, where he secured the Connecticut Compromise; prominent in establishing the federal judiciary system; diplomat. Autograph Document Signed, as member of the Connecticut Pay-table Committee. One page, oblong octavo. No place, December 16, 1775. To John Lawrence, Colony Treasurer. Orders payment of 900 pounds to "Capt. Thomas Knowlton as Payment of the 5th Company in the 3d Reg't Connecticut Troops...." Signed receipt by Captain Knowlton on verso. Knowlton was Nathan Hale's commander. He was killed at the Battle of Harlem in 1776. Excellent condition, and a wonderful financial document dating from the first year of hostilities. 250.00

94. [ABRAHAM LINCOLN'S ELECTION]. Handsome imprinted silk election ribbon for Lincoln's 1864 campaign. A bearded Lincoln is shown in a profile bust pose, around which "13th Ward" is printed. Extremely fine condition. A wonderful item for framing or display. 250.00

95. MILLER, HENRY. 1891-1980. American writer; authored tropic of Cancer, and Tropic of Capricorn. Autograph Note Signed. Full page, small octavo. [Pacific Palisades, February 2, 1976. To Mr. and Mrs. Ira Strouse, Philadelphia]. Miller writes: "Why don't you send Lucretia Hobson the enclosed, please. And can you give me her address?..." Fine condition. Boldly signed. 75.00